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FOR: A METHOD FOR IDENTIFYING MYCOBACTERIUM TUBERCULOSIS AND MYCOBACTERIA OTHER THAN TUBERCULOSIS, TOGETHER WITH DETECTING RESISTANCE TO AN ANTITUBERCULOSIS DRUG OF MYCOBACTERIA OBTAINED BY MUTATION OF RPOB GENE

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STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW

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Sir:

With regard to the Interview Summary dated June 3, 2004, which was part of the Office Action (Paper No. 05192004), the following is Applicants' record of the substance of the interview as required by the Examiner: the undersigned authorized the Examiner to cancel claim 9.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned if any further information is required to complete the record of the substance of the interview.

Respectfully submitted,

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